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September 9, 2003

Honorable Patti B. Saris
U.S. District Judge
6130 U.S. Courthouse
One Courthouse Way
Boston, MA 02210-3002

Re: MDL-1456 -- In re Pharmaceutical Industry Average Wholesale Price Litigation

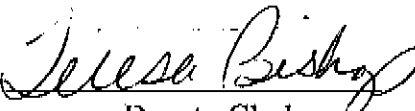
International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 68 Welfare Fund v.
Astrazenca, PLC, et al., D. New Jersey, C.A. No. 3:03-3230

Dear Judge Saris:

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of a conditional transfer order filed today by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation in this matter.

Very truly,

Michael J. Beck
Clerk of the Panel

By 
Deputy Clerk

cc: Judge Stanley R. Chesler

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BEFORE THE JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

**IN RE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE
LITIGATION**

*International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 68 Welfare Fund v.
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CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER (CTO-14)

On April 30, 2002, the Panel transferred 16 civil actions to the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407. Since that time, 28 additional actions have been transferred to the District of Massachusetts. With the consent of that court, all such actions have been assigned to the Honorable Patti B. Saris.

It appears that the action on this conditional transfer order involves questions of fact which are common to the actions previously transferred to the District of Massachusetts and assigned to Judge Saris.

Pursuant to Rule 7.4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), this action is transferred under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 to the District of Massachusetts for the reasons stated in the order of April 30, 2002, 201 F.Supp.2d 1378 (J.P.M.L. 2002), and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Patti B. Saris.

This order does not become effective until it is filed in the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. The transmittal of this order to said Clerk shall be stayed fifteen (15) days from the entry thereof and if any party files a notice of opposition with the Clerk of the Panel within this fifteen (15) day period, the stay will be continued until further order of the Panel.

FOR THE PANEL:

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